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DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY?

OWRC is always looking for volunteers to write quality articles for the newsletter. If you have been involved with a project or issue that other OWRC members would be interested in and would like to share your thoughts about it, please call the OWRC office. Articles can be short and sweet or several paragraphs long. OWRC's WaterWorks newsletter is published quarterly.

A Note from President Trosi

Sunshine on the Santiam, finally some sun and warming temps and I'm stuck attempting my first president's column. I think it might be more productive to be out helping the crews relocate a ditch to make a new low pressure linear system travel a greater distance so a field of big gun sprinklers can be eliminated. However, I'm sure this article will be both informative and interesting to you—and rewarding to me.

My Presidential duties have been limited but interesting so far. I just had the opportunity to represent OWRC at the Hermiston Irrigation District's (HID) 100-year Celebration of Water Delivery. HID Board Chairman Chuck Miller and HID Manager Chuck Wilcox did an excellent job in presenting an informative and well organized program that was well attended by the local community. I was impressed to see lots of district patrons, local elected officials, and officials from Bureau of Reclamation, including Karl Wirkus, BOR Deputy Commissioner, and Bill McDonald, BOR Regional Director. Also had several representatives from other irrigation districts in attendance, maybe they were there to see how to put on a great 100 year celebration or maybe they were there to see how theirs compared. In any case, it was really good to see other districts in attendance. HID's program included a couple of local historians who gave their account of the development and history of the district. It was also interesting to learn that the district has around 1200 water users and delivers water to about 10,000 acres, and to do that they maintain one dam, two diversions, and over 120 miles of canals and pipelines.

In other news, as President, and with the OWRC board, we have appointed committee chairs for the year. I really appreciate their willingness to serve and chair the committees as it does take time away from our regular duties. I think it is important for you to know who those committee chairs are and what committees OWRC has in effect. They are: Legislative, Chuck Wilcox; Federal Affairs, Mark Thalacker; Membership, Bev Bridgewater; Annual Conference, John Buckley. If you have issues or questions relating to these committees feel free to contact them or our OWRC staff.

Now that my first three days of drafting this column is completed, the sun is gone, rain is back, and the ditch is probably dug, so I guess I will go see what else is going on in the Santiam Water Control District. Stay tuned.

- Larry Trosi, OWRC President

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

During the Membership Meeting at the 2007 Annual Conference, I presented an annual report for 2007. It seemed appropriate to provide a summary of that report in this newsletter.

OWRC's strength lies in the commitment of its members to its mission and purpose. Those who serve on the Board of Directors contribute untold hours and energy to OWRC providing leadership and guidance for the organization. Their service extends far beyond the Board meetings to committees and task forces, the annual conference and workshop, and an invaluable willingness to help staff whenever we ask. Those members who serve on committees work to provide well thought out recommendations to the Board. This often takes many hours of committee meetings. And then there are those who help at the conference, put together workshops and other meetings, and contribute their expertise and knowledge willingly and graciously. Without this commitment, our work as staff would be much more difficult and far less effective.

The addition of April Snell as Assistant Director met a long-term goal of the Board. With the addition of a third staff person, we can expand our services to our members and strengthen OWRC. April's contributions are already apparent through her work with the Membership Services Committee and her help with the Federal Affairs Committee.

The 2007 Legislative Session ended in June. Highlights of the session for OWRC's program included the passage of several bills that help our member districts:

- Provides protections for water control districts when cities annex land. Amend annexation statutes to include water control districts in the list of districts whose boundaries are not changed when a city annexes property. Irrigation districts are already included in the list of protected districts.
 - Extends the Business Energy Tax Credit to hydroelectric projects up to 10 megawatts.
 - Amends the hydropower statutes to provide for an expedited Water Resources Department permitting process for hydro projects (under 5 megs) that use an existing water right with a requirement that the diversion have a fish screen. The Oregon Farm Bureau proposed this and invited OWRC to participate and co-sponsor the bill.
 - Extends technical assistance provided by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for fish screens to districts.
- HB 3203 would have provided funding for the studies leading up to the site selection, design and construction of a water supply, conservation or reuse project. The funding would have been on a 50/50 match with other non-state funding. While HB 3203 was not enacted, the coalition of agriculture and municipal water interests that worked to move the bill remains committed to moving a similar bill in the 2008 Supplemental Session.
- During 2007, OWRC sponsored a variety of education and training opportunities for members, including the following:
- **District Managers' Workshop:** The first was held in January 2007 at Salishan. The managers selected the topics for the workshop and provided the content. It was intended to be an opportunity for district managers to learn from each other about different issues in district management and operations and take advantage of their varied experiences and expertise. While the beach and grounds at the facility were covered in snow, the room was alive with discussions. All reports are that the workshop exceeded expectations and should become an annual event.
 - **Fall Water Law Seminar:** Focused on the 2007 Legislative Session with presentations on the bills that affect district management and water delivery. Mike Carrier, the Governor's Director of Natural Resources, told the attendees that the Governor has included water as one of his three legacy proposals for the 2009 Legislative Session and challenged those in the room to help the Governor develop his water proposal for the Legislature.
 - **2007 Annual Conference:** We had the largest attendance for any of our conferences in Hood River at our Annual Conference. Highlights included the Wednesday lunch presentation by Senator Gordon Smith. Earlier that day Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Bob Johnson joined us for the first time. Congressman Greg Walden unexpectedly joined us for lunch on Thursday.
 - **Office Managers Workshop:** The Office Managers' meetings took a hiatus for most of the year but were restarted in October with a meeting

in Salem. There is more information about this and other events later in this newsletter.

2007 was the first session of the 110th Congress. OWRC has been involved in several specific bills during the year. Early in the year Senators Wyden and Smith introduced S. 1522 "Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2007" which reauthorizes FRIMA. Marc Thalacker testified on OWRC's behalf in front of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Congressman DeFazio introduced HR 3830, the companion bill in the House.

Working through the National Water Resources Association, OWRC opposes HR 2421 and S 1870, both known as the "Clean Water Restoration Act of 2007." You can find OWRC's white paper on this effort to redefine federal jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act on the OWRC website.

We worked to support provisions in the Farm Bill that provide funding for water conservation activities by landowners and districts. For more information, see the white paper on the Farm Bill on our website.

The "Federal Program" tab on the website has the letter OWRC sent to our Congressional delegation outlining our program for 2007. It included support for appropriations, the reauthorization of FRIMA, and various water conservation funding and authorizations, such as BOR and Water 2025, the RWEF provision of the Farm Bill, Clean Water Act Trust Fund, WRDA, etc.

OWRC and the Bureau of Reclamation continued the training program we had designed for Bureau employees to learn about district operations by spending some days with irrigation district managers. This year the program was at the Owhyee Project with visits to the Owhyee Irrigation District and the Ridgeview Irrigation District (part of the South Board of Control). Six Bureau employees spent a total of four days touring the districts, talking to district staff including maintenance crews, operations staff, office staff and managers. This year we were joined by representatives of an Idaho district and North Unit ID who will host the program next year.

2007 was a busy year and 2008 is poised to be just as busy. An O&M workshop was held in January in Ontario, hosted by Owyhee Irrigation District. The Legislature just finished a Supplemental Session in February. We will be providing input to the Governor for his water proposal (called Headwater to Ocean or H2O). The Board has scheduled a retreat this winter to plan for the future of OWRC. In the planning stages are the district managers' workshop, office managers meetings, and the annual conference. There has also been discussion about a fall conference focusing on technology and operations. All of these require membership support in the planning and execution.

I started this report recognizing the work members provide and I'll end it with similarly – with a thank you for all the work our members give OWRC and add a thank you to the staff for their efforts.

– **Anita Winkler, OWRC Executive Director**

WELCOME WAGON

NEW OWRC DISTRICT MEMBERS & AFFILIATES

Please extend a warm welcome to our newest affiliate members who have joined since the last newsletter edition:

- Anderson Perry & Associates in LaGrande, Oregon
- Ferguson in Redmond, Oregon
- Golder Associates in Lake Oswego, Oregon
- J-U-B Engineering in Kennewick, Washington
- Kennedy/Jenks Consultants in Portland, Oregon
- Perkins Coie LLP in Portland, Oregon
- Stevens Water Monitoring Systems Inc. in Portland, Oregon



2008 OWRC BOARD MEMBERS

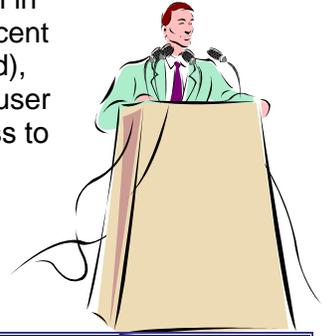
Please extend greetings and many thanks to our new board members as well as those who are continuing to serve on the OWRC board for 2008. OWRC board members do more than their fair share of work throughout the year on a variety of issues on the behalf of both the regions they represent and the organization as a whole. You can view the 2008 board roster on the back page of this newsletter.



EVENT UPDATES AND WRAP-UP

2007 WATER LAW SEMINAR

The 2007 Water Law Seminar was held October 17th – 19th at the Resort at the Mountain in Welches, Oregon. The Water Law Seminar covered a wide range of topics related to recent Oregon legislative action. Speakers included Representative Jackie Dingfelder (Portland), Representative Bob Jenson (Pendleton), representatives from WRD, and several water user organizations. The presentations varied from insights on bills that passed and didn't pass to an animated roundtable discussion on "Seeking Shared Solutions" featuring legislators, lobbyist, state agency, and water user perspectives. The final day of the event was a training workshop on Agricultural Water Management and Conservation Planning, co-sponsored by WRD and taught by David Evans and Associates, which is discussed later in this newsletter.



2007 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OWRC's 2007 Annual Conference was held November 27-30 at the Best Western Hood River Inn in Hood River, Oregon. This year's theme was "Celebrating Our Past, Anticipating Our Future," with an emphasis on finding solutions. Presentations ranged from climate change and water supply, to perspectives on managing stormwater, and a dynamic roundtable on water and land use planning. Speakers included US Senator Gordon Smith, BOR Commissioner Robert Johnson, WRD Director Phil Ward, his Idaho counterpart Director David Tuthill, and numerous representatives from government agencies and water user organizations. Other highlights included: Separate proclamations from Governor Kulongoski and Commissioner Johnson in recognition of OWRC's anniversary, and Congressman Greg Walden dropping by during lunch on Thursday.

In conjunction with the two-day conference, there were three workshops scheduled during the week: Introduction to Land Use and Planning Processes Workshop, taught by Liz Dickson, Bill Ganong, and Willie Tiffany; Best Management Practices Workshop presented by Special Districts Association of Oregon; and training for district board members on ethics and other topics presented by the Ethics Commission and the Capital Press. The Land Use Workshop was in response to districts' requests for help as they face issues resulting from developments near on inside districts and increasing regulatory requirements on water transmission.

In recognition of OWRC's 95th anniversary, the dinner program focused on moments throughout OWRC history. Bill Ganong was the MC for the evening and provided just the right mix of brevity and introspection on OWRC's past using available history and his father's notes. Bev Bridgewater undertook some research about the past presidents, and her and other members read early history and biographical information of the pioneering presidents and members of OWRC from their region. There were six past OWRC presidents in attendance.



Pictured are (L-R): Dave Solem (OWRC President 1992-93), Don Russell (1988-89), Ron Nelson (1986-87), and Ladd Henderson (1984-85).

OFFICE MANAGERS MEETING

After a brief hiatus, OWRC is again hosting and organizing meetings for district office managers. The last Office Managers meeting was held on October 25th in Salem. The idea was for staff to be able to get together and have a roundtable discussion on topics of interest to the various districts and staff. The meeting started with OWRC Executive Director Anita Winkler giving the group an update on the 2007 Legislative Session. Anita reviewed the PowerPoint presentation that she and Debbie Colbert gave during the Water Law Seminar the previous week. Anita also provided the group with language contained in the Ethics Reform Package, which could affect the districts, and the group was able to provide input and questions to be considered for a presentation during the Annual Conference.

Staff then discussed a wide variety of administrative topics and offered advice on various computer software, record keeping, job description development, standards, policies and procedures, fees charged, etc. The attendees showed a wonderful spirit of cooperation with one another and determined that it would be advantageous to conduct these meetings twice per year, one in spring and one in fall. Central Oregon Irrigation District offered to host the spring meeting and Middle Fork Irrigation District offered to host the fall meeting. *(Dates have not been determined at this time, but as soon as they are, I will get notice out to office managers.)*

After lunch, the group took a tour of the Oregon State Archives Building. We were able to get a history of how the archives began, what is stored there and we were allowed to go back into the "warehouse" where boxes upon boxes of documents, books and other information are stored. It was an extremely interesting tour and I could see that some of us could have stayed there looking through the archives for hours.

Since this is my first newsletter article, I'd like to take this opportunity to give a quick thank you to everyone who has been so kind and patient with me as I've settled into this position. I appreciate your support and encouragement.

– **Lea Rasura**
OWRC Office Administrator

PROJECT UPDATES

AGRICULTURAL WATER MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION PLAN GUIDEBOOK PROJECT

Project Overview

In the summer of 2006, a Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) funded collaborative project was formally initiated between the Oregon Water Resources Department (WRD) and OWRC to develop a guidebook, and related outreach workshops, for agricultural suppliers to complete Water Management and Conservation Plans (WMCP) that meet state and federal requirements and also serve as useful management tools. This project was guided by a steering committee consisting of representatives from seven irrigation and water control districts, WRD, OWRC, BOR, and OSU.



After a few bumps in the road, the guidebook was successfully completed and published in October of 2007. Terry Buchholz and Jon Burgi from David Evans and Associates, Inc. conducted a workshop on the guidebook at the 2007 Water Law Seminar. We

are very grateful to Terry and Jon for producing such a high quality and interactive training for our district members. For more information, or to download an electronic copy of the Agricultural Water Management and Conservation Planning Guidebook, visit:

http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/mgmt_ag_wmcp.shtm

– **April Snell**
OWRC Assistant Director

Steering Committee Member Perspective

It was a pleasure to serve on the Steering Committee for the Ag. Water Management and Conservation Plan Guidebook Project. My personal take on the process is there are a lot of really great people who care about our Industry and what it stands for. Not only for what can we get out of it, but how can we make it better for other interests. Water Management and Conservation are not new to us; however we must continue to plan, implement, and press forward with these efforts. I truly believe the folks in this industry are some of the best stewards of our natural resources. In participating with the guidebook process, one of the main goals (besides meeting the requirements) was to put together a guidebook that managers would actually use (You know--not just a bunch of filler!). Hopefully we accomplished this.

I also enjoyed working on the sample plan. Going through this exercise will make you scratch your head a little and think--okay--does this management or conservation effort still make sense or do we need to re-evaluate some things? Thanks for selecting Ochoco ID to be a part of this! In closing I would ask when you get your guidebook look at the acknowledgements page; these dedicated people are the ones who wrestled through the good and bad to get an end product.

– **Russ Rhoden**
Ochoco Irrigation District
AgWMCP Steering Committee

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

2008 OREGON SPECIAL SESSION REPORT



This year the Legislature met in a “Supplemental Session” that started on February 4th and was scheduled to end on February 29th. This session was scheduled at the end of the 2007 session as a demonstration of the need for annual sessions and the ability of the Legislature to accomplish something in a short time frame. They actually adjourned late on February 22nd.

The only water-related bill that was considered was SB 1069 which initially set up a program to provide up to \$500,000 in grants for feasibility studies and environmental studies for water supply projects include storage, conservation and reuse. The grants require a 50/50 match from non-state sources of funding. Public agencies, private entities and non-profit entities are eligible applicants for the grants. The bill as introduced authorized up to \$10 million dollars for this program, to be administered by the Oregon Water Resources Department.

This bill began life as HB 3203 in the 2007 Legislature. When it was not enacted, the coalition that had been working the bill began work to have in introduced in 2008. The concept of the bill appeared on the list of top priorities for the Senate and House leadership on both sides of the aisle and on the Governor’s list. Senator Avakian, chair of the Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee agreed to introduce the bill as his committee’s bill – one of the key requirements to have a bill introduced in the Supplemental Session – and it became SB 1069.

Early in the session the Governor added a second part to the bill that provided \$750,000 to study aquifer storage and recovery possibilities in the Umatilla Basin. Initially that part also included \$500,000 to set up a mitigation bank in the Basin. This addition was supported by a number of parties in the Basin including the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla, the Umatilla County Groundwater Task Force, private irrigators and the irrigation districts.

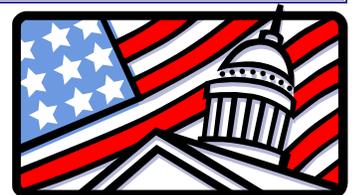
The revenue forecast that was issued shortly after the session began was considerably worse than anyone anticipated. As a result, the sponsors of SB 1069 reduced expectations and began working with to secure a reduced level of funding for both parts of the bill. When the gavels fell on the 22nd, the bill had been passed and the budget included \$750,000 for the Umatilla ASR work, no funding for the mitigation bank, and \$1.75 million for the water supply studies. This was one of the few requests for a new budget item that was included in the budget bill for 2008.

While the coalition was pleased to have the program established and funded, there are some provisions that will need to be addressed in 2009 before the program meets our intent. The work on those changes has already begun. The Department will have to go through the rulemaking process to get the program up and running. As information is available, OWRC will distribute it to its members. Meanwhile, any district that has a project that has languished because of the lack of funding for this studies should be dusting it off, figuring out the source for the non-state match, and have it ready when the announcement soliciting grant applications is ready. The timeframe will be fairly tight to get the grants awards so that there is progress to show the Legislature in 2009 when the request for additional funding is submitted. To find a copy of the SB 1069-A go to <http://www.leg.state.or.us/08ss1/measpdf/sb1000.dir/sb1069.a.pdf>.

– Anita Winkler, OWRC Executive Director

WASHINGTON DC: NEWS FROM THE FAR EAST

Congress has returned to start the 2nd Session of the 110th Congress. Congress will have shorter work weeks, and longer District work periods, along with a lengthy break for the national party conventions. The consequence is a short period of time to address authorization bills and budget/appropriation bills this year.



APPROPRIATIONS

Rather than move the individual appropriation bills we highlighted in the last newsletter that were of interest to OWRC members, Congress ended up passing H.R. 2764/P.L. 110-161, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2008. Division A of the Act is the Agriculture Appropriations on page 9; Division C is the Energy and Water Appropriations on page 453; and Division F is the Interior Appropriations

on page 1161. The link to the legislation can be found on our website at: www.owrc.org/FedProgram/fedprogram.htm. A large part of the debate concerning these bills had to do with the issue of “earmarks”. To help you understand the issue, we have included the Bush Administration’s Executive Order from earlier this year to the Executive Branch agencies about earmarks on our website, under the “Federal Program” tab.

The Bush Administration submitted its budget to the U.S. Congress in February. All of the Federal agencies with water resource programs found their programs reduced hundreds of millions of dollars. The Bureau of Reclamation was down close to \$200 million and the Corps of Engineers was down \$800 million from what was enacted for FY2008. One bright light that may exist in this new budget is a “Water For America” initiative at the Department of the Interior that involves Bureau of Reclamation and U.S. Geological Survey programs. OWRC will be examining the details and it remains to be seen how Congress will react to the proposal.

THE FISHERIES RESTORATION IRRIGATION MITIGATION ACT (FRIMA)

S. 1522 was reported out of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee earlier this year and is pending Senate floor action. Companion legislation was introduced in the House of Representatives (H.R. 3830) and is awaiting Subcommittee hearing in the House Natural Resources Committee.

THE FARM BILL

Congress was not able to complete action last year on H.R. 2419, the Farm, Nutrition, and Bioenergy Act of 2007. The underlying Act authorization was extended until March 15, 2008. At this time negotiations continue to resolve the difference between the Senate and House versions of the bill. We expect the provision that OWRC is most interested in, the Regional Water Enhancement Program to remain in the bill, though not funded at the level originally anticipated.

WRDA

Congress passed and enacted into law (something that usually doesn’t happen – it took an override of a Presidential veto) H.R. 1495/P.L. 110-114, the first comprehensive water resource authorization bill for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers program in seven year. On our website, under the “Federal Program” tab, you will find a copy of the Act along with a report that has been prepared for OWRC by Will & Carlson that highlights the provisions for Oregon and the rest of the West and provides a guide to appreciating the new policy changes in-store for the program.

WATER RESOURCES COALITION

OWRC has joined a new Water Resources Coalition in Washington, D.C. to promote the development, implementation and funding of a comprehensive national water resources policy. With member organizations representing state and local governments, conservation, engineering and construction, ports, waterways and transportation services, the coalition will work to ensure that a comprehensive, national water resources policy is developed, implemented and funded to provide a sustainable, productive economy; a healthy aquatic ecology; and public health and safety.

We are also participating in the “conversations about opportunities to increase water infrastructure investment” that are being held by Rep. Blumenauer. The State of Oregon benefits by having such an engaged Congressional delegation on the issue of water. This is also mirrored at the State level as we work to see what future Federal assistance is needed to help address our needs. Stay the course and stay involved and keep checking out our website for these and other important Federal issues. ***if we’re not at the table we’re on the menu.***

– **Peter Carlson, Will and Carlson,**
OWRC Washington DC lobbyist

OREGON WATER NEWS TIDBITS

OREGON WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION INITIATIVE

In the 2007 Oregon Legislative Session, \$750,000 was included in the budget of the Water Resources Department for the Oregon Water Supply and Conservation Initiative. The Initiative is a five component package including: Assessment of existing and long-term water supply needs, Inventory of potential storage sites, Analysis of conservation opportunities, Match funding for community and regional-based water



planning, and Basin yield estimates. This package represents an important step forward in addressing Oregon's long term water supply needs.

The assessment of existing and long-term water supply needs and analysis of conservation opportunities are being conducted by an outside contractor, HDR Engineering. Both the assessment and inventory will consist of compiling already existing information about water demands and potential conservation projects in Oregon. Once the information is compiled, the WRD will create and maintain an online database that the public can access and search. The consultant's results are due on July 1, 2008, and WRD has until October 1, 2008 to review the report and provide the results online.

These two components are being developed by the consultant with guidance from the Water Resources Commission, a Stakeholder Advisory Group, and a Technical Peer Review Group. The Stakeholder Advisory Group has met once in December and is scheduled to meet again in April and May. There are also four outreach workshops scheduled around the state in March to solicit input from stakeholders on the demand forecast and conservation opportunities inventory. The workshops will be held: on March 4 in Salem, March 7 in Medford, March 18 in Redmond, and March 19 in Pendleton, from 9 until noon on all days.

The third component of the Initiative is a statewide inventory of potential water storage sites. This inventory is being completed internally by Department staff. The fourth component of the Initiative is match-funding for community and regional based water supply planning. The Oregon Water Resources Department currently has \$150,000 available on a competitive basis to communities and regions in need of financial resources to further their long-term water supply planning efforts. To be considered for funding, applications must be received at the Salem office of WRD by **March 15, 2008**.

The fifth and final component of the Initiative is completion of a state-wide investigation of basin yield estimates. This component was not funded by the 2007 Legislature and is on hold until the Department secures funding. To learn more about the Oregon Water Supply and Conservation Initiative, visit the Department's website at: <http://egov.oregon.gov/OWRD/LAW/owsci.shtml> or subscribe to the OWSCI listserve at: <http://listsmart.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/owsci>.

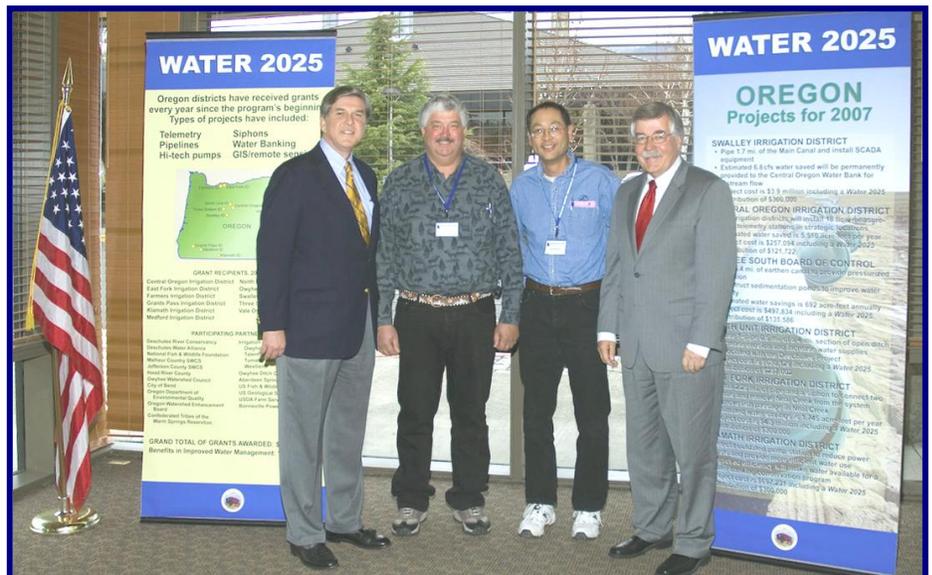
– **April Snell**
OWRC Assistant Director

OREGON WATER 2025 RECIPIENTS

Six Oregon irrigation districts were awarded Water 2025 Challenge Grants for 2008. The Water 2025 Challenge Grant Program funds projects that will make more efficient use of existing water supplies through water conservation, efficiency and water marketing projects. The Oregon recipients are Central Oregon Irrigation District, East Fork Irrigation District, Klamath Irrigation District, North Unit Irrigation District and Swalley Irrigation District. The Owyhee South Board of Control, which serves lands in Idaho and Oregon, were also included in this recognition.

Congratulations!!!

While at OWRC's 2007 Annual Conference, Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Robert Johnson recognized the districts. "These irrigation districts and their partners have committed to making improvements in their water delivery systems," said Johnson. "The Federal dollars we can offer will help these districts accomplish even more." More information about the Water 2025 Program can be found at: <http://www.usbr.gov/water2025/>.



Pictured are (L-R): Oregon Senator Gordon Smith, with John Buckley and Brian Nakamura, East Fork Irrigation District, and Commissioner Robert Johnson. Photo courtesy of BOR.

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UPCOMING OWRC EVENTS

OWRC District Managers Workshop

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Best Western Agate Beach

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July 28 – 30

Skamania Lodge in Stevenson, WA

OWRC Annual Conference

December 2-5, 2008

*Best Western Hood River Inn,
Hood River, OR*

*For more information about these and other
upcoming OWRC events, visit the
“Calendar” tab at: www.owrc.org*

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Thanks to all of our generous sponsors and donors that provided raffle items for the 2007 Annual Conference. We couldn't have done it without your support!!!

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